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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ANNOUNCE HURRICANE ISABEL STREAM RESTORATION PROJECT

Jeff Jennings, Chairman, announced at the October 4, Board of Commissioners meeting that \$41,600 in financial assistance for the Hurricane Isabel emergency stream restoration project in Camden County has been approved by the State of North Carolina. This financial assistance will aid in the removal of downed trees from 13,800 feet of waterways and will restore drainage, reduce flooding and improve public access.

Governor Easley commended Camden County on its sponsorship of this restoration project.

WEATHERIZATION DAY

Camden County Board of Commissioners Proclaimed October 30, as "Weatherization Day". The Weatherization Assistance Program, the largest residential energy efficiency program, was initiated and funded by the U. S. Department of Energy in Washington, D.C., in response to the energy shortage. The program for Camden is administered by the Economic Improvement Council in cooperation, primarily, with the state's community action agencies, and has produced energy-cost reduction in more than 114 homes. The Program not only assists families working toward self-sufficiency, but also contributes more broadly to the improvements and progress of communities by eliminating carbon emissions, reducing dependence on foreign oil, stimulating local economies through the purchase of goods and services, creating jobs, and stabilizing neighborhoods.

NEW MT. ZION DELIVERANCE CENTER

Opening and Dedication
Saturday, October 23, 2004
11:00 am - 3:00 pm

118 South NC Hwy 343, Camden,



Camden Community Fall Festival Grandy Primary School

Saturday, October 16, 2004
12:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Captain Bob's BBQ (until 7:00 pm)
Tickets can be purchased at
Grandy Primary School for \$6.00/plate.

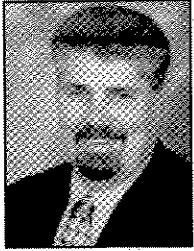
SHERIFF PERRY SPEAKS TO ECA

Camden County Sheriff, Tony Perry, spoke to members of the Belcross Extension and Community Association monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 23rd. Sheriff Perry answered questions from the members pertaining to Camden County and to the most recent vehicle arsons. Sheriff Perry also answered questions concerning his career path as Sheriff. The Belcross ECA has been together since 1935 and they are actively looking for new members. The next ECA meeting is October 28, 2004. For more information regarding the Belcross ECA or in starting a new club in your community, please contact Danelle Barco, 4-H & Family Consumer Science 252-3381919 x 229.

ALBEMARLE REGIONAL HEALTH SERVICES FLU SHOT 24 HOUR HOTLINE

TO RECEIVE INFORMATION ON THE AVAILABILITY OF FLU SHOTS,
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MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & SATURDAY 7 AM - 7 PM
 SUNDAY 1 - 6 PM

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MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY
 7 AM - 7 PM
 SUNDAY 1 - 6 PM

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 REMEMBER TO RECYCLE

NUMBERS TO KNOW

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<u>Director of Elections</u> Rick Owens	252-338-5530
<u>Extension Agent, 4-H / FCS</u> Danelle Barco	252-338-1919 x 229
<u>Director of Social Services</u> Sylvia Holley	252-338-1361

COUNTY MEETINGS SCHEDULE

Meetings are held in the Camden Senior Center
 unless otherwise advertised.

COMMISSIONERS MEETINGS

Monday, October 18, 2004 at 7:00 pm

Monday, November 1, 2004 at 8:00 am

No 2nd Night Commissioners Meeting in December 2004

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS

Monday, November 1, 2004 at 7:00 pm

Monday, December 6, 2004 at 7:00 pm

PLANNING BOARD

Wednesday, October 20, 2004 at 7:00 pm

Wednesday, November 17, 2004 at 7:00 pm

Camden County Officers will be closed on
 November 11, 2004 in observance of
VETERANS DAY

CAMDEN COUNTY EDUCATION FOUNDATION SUPPORTS TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

The Camden County Education Foundation, Inc., has recently funded nine mini-grants for teachers of Camden schools. Five grant proposals were approved for Grandy Primary: Clarissa Freshwater, for "Classroom Jeopardy;" Roger Morgan, toward purchasing a climbing wall for the gymnasium; Shelia Spivey, Theresa Chappell and Deanne Bailey for a literature-based program designed to enhance writing skills; Cindy Spruill for a laser printer to use for Accelerated Math; and Hope Swinney for media and manipulatives that will assist her in integrating art with the academic curriculum.

Camden Middle School received two grants: Brenda L. Waite for books appropriate for the Reading Pals program, enabling older students to read and perform stories to first graders; and Rose Taylor for a Percussion Ensemble, non-traditional, ethnic instruments that will help introduce students to multi-cultural music. Camden County High School also received two grants; Karen McPherson received funding that will allow her Small Business/Entrepreneurial class to operate a school store named "Bear Necessities"; and Carol Overton, media coordinator, funding to update the educational video selections available for student use.

The mini-grants were each valued up to \$500. The Foundation also funded eight \$500 scholarships to seniors in June and provided "New Teacher Appreciation Packages" in August. The High School received an additional \$500 for teacher appreciation endeavors. Through the Northern Albemarle Community Foundation a grant for \$3,760 helped fund an incentive based wellness program for all school employees.

The Camden County Education Foundation would like to express its thanks to all individuals and businesses for their continuing support in these altruistic works. Those who would like to help the foundation continue in its efforts to support our schools please call Mike Aydlett at 252-336-4482 or Pat Cuthrell at 252-336-2398.

ENERGY CONSERVATION FAIR

Northeastern Community Development Corporation and Elizabeth City State University Community Development Program will sponsor an Energy Conservation Fair on Tuesday, October 19, 2004 from 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm

The purpose of the forum is to make the public aware of simple ways to lower the cost on their electric and water bills. Representatives from Greenville Utilities, the Economic Improvement Council and Pasquotank Cooperative Extension Service will partake in the evening's program. Also planning to participate will be representatives from the City of Elizabeth City's Cycle and Save Department, Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation and Dominion Power. The program is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. The Energy Conservation Fair will be held at the Cooperative Extension Service, Pasquotank Unit, located at 1209 McPherson Street, Elizabeth City, NC. To register or for more information call 252-338-5466

NOTICE OF SURPLUS SALE

Camden County will receive sealed bids for the below listed items.

- 8' bed, tail gate and back bumper (removed from 2001 Ford F250)
- 2000 Ford Crown Vic. (VIN2FAFP71W7YX119104) Auto has been wrecked.
- Camper Shell (Fits long bed pickup)

All items are sold "as is". The sealed bids must be clearly marked "Surplus Sale", which shall be delivered to the office of the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners located at 117 North NC 343, POB 190, Camden, NC 27921 by 4:00 pm on the 27th day of October, 2004. The sealed bids will be open on October 27, 2004 at 4:30 pm in the County Manager's Conference Room, Courthouse Complex, located at 117 North NC 343, Camden. The Camden County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids at their November 1, 2004 meeting. For more information call 252-338-1919 x 22

Ava Murgia
Clerk to the Board

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NOVEMBER 2, 4, 9 & 11, 2004

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252 - 331- 4755

252 - 232 - 3148

252 - 475 - 5587

Camden County Sheriff's Office September 2004

Sheriff Tony Perry

Date	Property Crimes	Breaking & Entering	Larcenies	Crimes Against Persons	Assaults	Drug Arrests
Current - 08/04	9	6	5	12	2	8
Last Month - 07/04	3	4	4	11	3	3
Last Year - 08/03	7	4	4	21	1	7

Date	Traffic Offense	Other Arrests	Juvenile Arrests	Total Arrests	Reports	Papers Served	Armed Robbery	Calls Answered	Buildings Checked
Current - 08/04	161	25	2	196	214	181	0	442	120
Last Month - 07/04	38	14	0	56	82	138	0	447	133
Last Year - 08/03	42	18	0	0	87	150	0	507	152

442 Calls answered, an average of 14.7 calls per day or 24 hour period

Calls for Service to date 2004: 4,305

Calls for Service 2003: 5,505

Calls for Service 2002: 5,891

**Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 160A-266 and 160A-267,
the Camden County Board of Commissioners on October 4, 2004
ordered and declared the old duty weapons in the Sheriff's Office surplus.**

STATEWIDE COMMUNICATIONS NUMBER FOR STRANDED MOTORISTS

If you've ever been traveling and passed a stranded motorist, you've probably suffered from a guilty feeling for not stopping, but we all know it is not a safe practice.

Well, now we can help a stranded motorist more easily. There is a statewide communications number for reporting such cases. This number is ***47** on your cell phone.

If you pass someone who needs help you can call this number and they'll send someone to check on the person. This is a good way to help out but not take an unnecessary risk.

Remember, to report stranded motorists anywhere in North Carolina dial ***47**

"COATS FOR KIDS"

Economic Improvement Council, Inc.,

is sponsoring a

"Coats For Kids" drive

October 15, 2004 thru

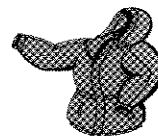
December 10, 2004



Please bring your new or gently used coats to any EIC office or to one of the following businesses.

Colonial Cleaners or Rochelle Cleaners in Elizabeth City

Your donations will be greatly appreciated.



NEW COUNTY WEBSITE ADDRESS

www.camdencountync.gov

CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS 2004 Important Dates/Times

October 8, was the last day to Register for General Election
October 14 - 29, One-Stop Voting begins
at The Board of Elections Office,
117 N NC 343, in the Restored Jail, Camden, NC 27921

Monday, October 14 thru Friday, October 29

8:00 am - 12:00 pm

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Saturday, October 30, 2004

8:00 am - 1:00 pm

October 26, 5 pm Deadline to request Absentee Ballot
October 30, One-Stop Absentee Voting Ends 1:00 pm
November 1, 5 pm Deadline to return Absentee Ballot
November 2, Election Day
November 9, Canvass Day

VOTING PRESENTS

South Mills - South Mills Ruritan Club

Courthouse - Camden County Senior Center

Shiloh - Shiloh Fire Station

On Election Day Polls are open 6:30 am - 7:30 pm.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE CAMDEN
COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS 252-338-5530
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Lynn Burnham, Secretary, Gary Grahn, Member

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OCTOBER IS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

The Susan G. Komen Foundation sponsors 3-Day, 60-mile events to walk for breast cancer. Their goal is to eradicate breast cancer through research, education, screening and treatment.

Anne Conrad, a Camden County resident has decided to become an active participant in the development of treatment, cure and research for breast cancer. Since living in Camden, she has personally met women who have survived the diagnosis and women who have lost their lives to their battle with breast cancer. All have touched her heart and have come to help her make her decision.

Anne will be walking Philadelphia's 3-Day on September 23-25, 2005. Her training for this 60-mile event will be done all over Camden County, and will take 8-9 months. Each walker contributes a donation/entry fee of \$2,100. Anne decided to make this her contribution to the Susan G. Komen Foundation on behalf of Camden with your help. She wants to put Camden in the race for a cure with the help of your donations towards the \$2,100 donation/entry fee. You can show your support by on-line donations through the Breast Cancer 3-Day website, at her personal fundraising HQ webpage. Contributions are tax deductible, and you will be able to print a receipt at the time of your donation. Anne has registered with the Susan G. Komen Foundation and paid her \$91 fee to participate.

While training, Anne would like to carry photos of your family members or friends in memory and honor of those affected by breast cancer. The road a cancer patient faces is uncertain and difficult. These pictures will encourage and inspire me as I meet the challenge of the 3-Day Walk For A Cure. Please send photos no larger than 4x6 to: Anne Conrad, 415 N. Hwy 343, Camden, NC 27921. You may send donations to www.The3Day.org when the site opens select 2005, select Philadelphia, select Donate, enter Participant's name, Anne Conrad and then follow the instructions.

All women are at risk for breast cancer, with or without a family history.

Number of women diagnosed with breast cancer:
1 out of 8.

Natural aging and being a woman are the biggest risk factors.

Every third cancer diagnosis in the United States is breast cancer.

Clinical and monthly self breast exams.

On going annual mammograms, to begin at the age of 40

Nation Mammogram Day is October 15.

Regular screening ensures earliest diagnosis & detection.

Although medically it can be treated, breast cancer can not be prevented.

Diet, exercise and certain medications may lower women's risk for breast cancer.

PLEASE DONATE AND HELP WIPE OUT BREAST CANCER.



Extension Office Gearing Up Relay For Life!!

The Camden County Extension Office is very excited to announce that we are currently gearing up for the 2005 Relay For Life. We are looking for **active, dedicated** team members to help raise money, help walk the night of the event and most of all have FUN!!!! If you or someone you know is interested in joining our team please contact Amy Twiddy, Team Captain at 338-1919 ext. 228. We look forward to another successful year.

Camden County 4-H Participates In Educational Exhibits At Chowan County Fair

Camden County 4-H displayed a booth at the Chowan County Fair this past week. The theme for the booths was "Building A Foundation For The Future." This is just one of the many educational outreach programs Camden County 4-H participated in.



Amy Twiddy sets up the Foundation For the Future



Foundation completed

OCTOBER 3-9 IS NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

Did You Know 4-H Is???

Is the world's largest youth serving organization with over 6 million participants nationally *Involves all 50 U.S. states and over 80 countries worldwide *Has opportunities for youth ages 5-19 *Offers more than 200 projects and activities to choose from *Is EVERYWHERE-towns, cities, farms, suburbs, school, churches, homes, etc. *And most important...is FUN!!!

What's the buzz about 4-H curriculum?

It's research-based *Provides experiential learning opportunities *Includes aerospace, zoology, and everything in between *Offers more than 200 projects and activities to choose from *In North Carolina alone, over 688,000 learning experiences took place utilizing 4-H curriculum in 1998.

How do I join 4-H?

Kids between the ages of 5 and 19 who like making friends, going neat places and learning cool new things. If you think you qualify, please call Danelle Barco, 4-H agent at the Camden County Cooperative Extension Center at 338-1919 to find out how you can get into it!!

Can I Be a 4-H Volunteer?

Yes, you can!! Volunteers in the North Carolina 4-H program come from a variety of backgrounds and experiences and fill many different roles. Volunteers may be club leaders with groups of young people. These volunteers help to plan educational programs and organize community service projects to give the youth opportunities to gain life skills like responsibility, record keeping and leadership. Some volunteers work with specific programs that are limited to a shorter term commitment. These programs might include teaching a class in an area of interest like woodworking, sewing, electric or etiquette. This might be a person who serves as a coach for young people preparing for public speaking contests or who serves as a judge for the competition. There are also volunteers who provide assistance by serving on advisory committees. These individuals help youth development professionals make program direction decisions to insure that the needs of the county's young people are being met. Your first step to getting involved is to contact your county 4-H agent, Danelle Barco by calling 338-1919. Volunteering with 4-H - Get into it!



The following ECA members attended Achievement Night, from left to right: Shirley Ticen, Marcy White, Secretary, Pat Fannin, Phyllis Timmerman, Treasurer, Faye Webb and Margaret Ambrose, President

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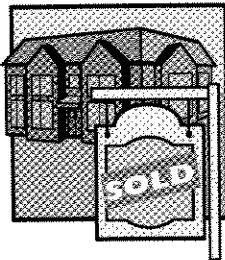
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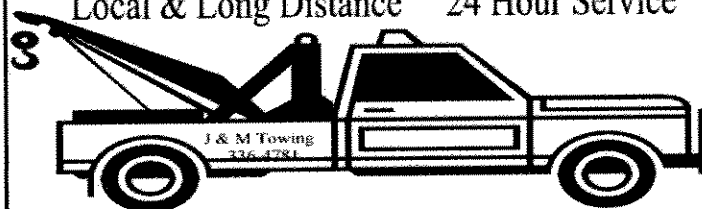
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